

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 NOUAKC 00283 111107Z
ACTION AF-08

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 ONY-00 /009 W
-----111116Z 006477 /15
R 111020Z FEB 77
FM AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6969

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE NOUAKCHOTT 283

STADIS////////////////////////////////

NO DISTRIBUTION OUTSIDE AF: FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE
AND AF/EX - KRYZA

E.O. 11652: N/A (DECONTROL 28FEB 1979)
TAGS: AMGT, AFSP, OGEN, XI, XY, MR
SUBJECT: AID PERSONNEL OPERATIONS IN AFRICA

REF: (A) STATE 17703, (B) 76 NOUAKCHOTT 3139, (C) NOUAKCHOTT 278

1. SENATOR HUMPHREY'S COMMENTARY ON AID PERSONNEL OPERATIONS DURING SECRETARY VANCE'S CONFIRMATION HEARING (PARAGRAPH 3 REF A) AND HIS EXPLICIT REQUEST THAT SECRETARY PERSONALLY REVIEW ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE OF AID PROVIDES GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR AF TO MAKE POINT TO SECRETARY THAT USG CANNOT CARRY OUT THE SIGNIFICANT EXPANSION IN US DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN SAHEL WHICH FORMER SECRETARY AT URGING OF CONGRESS PUBLICLY COMMITTED US TO UNLESS AND UNTIL AID/W ACTS TO INSURE CONTINUING FLOW OF NUMBERS AND TYPES OF SUBSTANCE-AND LANGUAGE-QUALIFIED AID PERSONNEL TO ALL US DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN SAHEL STATES.

2. NOUAKCHOTT AID TEAM IS CURRENTLY STRUGGLING ALONG WITH THREE OF ITS SIX ASSIGNED STAFFERS. RECENT CABLE TRAFFIC (SEE REF C, FOR EXAMPLE) UNDERSCORES FACT THAT NOUAKCHOTT IS NOT AN ISOLATED CASE. MORE IMPORTANT, AID GROUP IS NOT GOING TO BE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 NOUAKC 00283 111107Z

STAFFED UP ACCORDING TO PRESENT PROJECTIONS -- AND ASSUMING NO SLIPPAGE --UNTIL MID-AUGUST. REFLECTING OVERALL MISSION OBJECTIVE OF LEAN,HIGHLY PROFESSIONAL STAFF, CDO IS WORKING TO KEEP AID STAFFING LEVEL TO ABSOLUTE MINIMUM BY DESIGNING PROJECTS WHICH WILL TRANSFER IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES FROM US DIRECT-HIRE TO CONTRACTORS AND BY RELYING ON

AID/W AND REDSO FOR THE FULL RANGE OF TECHNICAL EXPERTISE NEEDED. BUT THIS STRATEGY CAN ONLY WORK IF THE HANDFUL OF US DIREC-HIRE AID SLOTS WE MUST HAVE ARE FILLED AND KEPT FILLED BY FIRST-CLASS PEOPLE.

3. AT SOME POINT IN NEXT 12 TO 14MONTHS IF OUR RECRUITMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OPERATIONS DONT IMPROVE, SEEMING INABILITY OF US TO MOUNT DEVELOPMEN EFFORT WE PROMISED PRESIDENT OULD DADDAH BY PUBLIC SPEECH AND PRIVATE LETTER IS GOING TO BEGIN TO POSE STICKY POLITICAL PROBLEMS. LETS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OPENING SENATOR HUMPHREY HAS GIVEN, US, AND DRIVE A "SEMI"THROUGH IT.

HANDYSIDE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 11-Feb-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 22 May 2009
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977NOUAKC00283
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770049-0696
Format: TEL
From: NOUAKCHOTT
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770250/aaaabrvp.tel
Line Count: 76
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 1cecf5c7-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: ONLY
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: ONLY
Reference: 77 STATE 17703, 76 NOUAKCHOTT 3139, 77 NOUAKCHOTT 278
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 04-Apr-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3342733
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: AID PERSONNEL OPERATIONS IN AFRICA
TAGS: AMGT, AFSP, OGEN, XI, XY, MR
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/1cecf5c7-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009